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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were mixed to unchanged in the Midwest, but lower elsewhere when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was light to moderate, best for ads and active first of the month activity. Food service was in a full range with best movement into fast food, sports bars, and restaurants. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to ample. In the parts structure, demand was light to fair. Breast items were readily available, dark meat was at least adequate, and wings were ample and slow to move. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy weights.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 02-OCT-2006 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	59.48
Chicago	57.00-60.00	58.92	33 :	58.50
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	54.91
Denver	76.50	76.16	14 :	76.92
Detroit	59.00	59.00	9 :	54.84
Los Angeles	77.00	75.52	67 :	70.53
New York	60.00-63.00	61.73	22 :	62.43
Philadelphia	58.50-61.00	60.32	11 :	60.04
Pittsburgh	59.00-62.00	60.73	11 :	65.45
St. Louis	58.50-59.00	58.71	20 :	60.25
San Francisco	77.50	76.97	31 :	76.05

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	10/02/06	Change Last Wk	09/25/06	10/03/05
571	64.24	-1.38	65.62	69.47

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	63.50-64.50	63.77	35
Central	42.00-65.00	56.18	67
Western	50.00-64.00	62.50	42
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	67.00-70.00	68.23	81

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 70.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
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1,153	57.00-73.00	69.34
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:		
	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	157.50	1,411
BREASTS - B/S	130.00	5,870
BREASTS - WHOLE	81.00	1,480
THIGH MEAT - B/S	83.00	1,149
LEG QUARTERS	30.50	9,127
WINGS	102.00	2,799

THIS INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to about moderate entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were fully adequate to available for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, breast items and tenders were fully adequate; dark meat cuts were at least adequate and wings were ample and slow to clear.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall steady at best. Demand following the weekend was fair, at times moderate where retail ads, fast food promotions, and first of the month activity was active. Supplies of all sizes were readily available for trade needs. In the parts structure, interest was light to fair with market conditions being monitored. Wings were fully adequate to at times ample, breast items and dark meat cuts were more manageable, but still at least adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were 1 cent lower. Trading reported for this week's deliveries at mixed levels, regular commitments were lower, and new negotiations were unchanged to higher. Offerings moved into better position on lighter weights, but remained ample on heavy sizes. Buying activity was only moderate. Retailer demand best where featured elsewhere moderate. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Trade sentiments were about steady on parts. Trading reported on parts at 31-33 for leg quarters, 105-113 for wings, bone-on breasts 75-92 and boneless breast 103-115. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 55.68 with the volume reported at 28 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices were unchanged to mixed into Midwest markets; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was rated generally steady. Offers adequate on light to moderate trade inquiry. Trade activity into retail centers was mixed with aggressive ads providing best movement. Food service demand was in a full range with good demand into sports bar restaurants and some fast food. Floor stocks were in a full range; weights desirable to heavy. Supplies of boneless/skinless breast were adequate, dark meat lines and wings plentiful. The market tone was mostly steady on breast cuts; and barely steady to weak on dark meat and wings.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds post-weekend was about moderate with activity generally limited into areas where Yom Kippur religious observances had reduced activity. Offerings were fully adequate to ample for immediate deliveries. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 61 to 73 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady. In the parts complex, offerings were fully adequate to ample. Leg quarters were often noted as well balanced.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	45-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest increased slightly due to first of the month interest but still noted as no better than fair. Offerings of breast items and tenders were at least adequate to fully adequate; dark meat cuts were fully adequate. Wings were ample and slow to clear. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was steady to barely steady for breast items and most dark meat items. Wings were barely steady to weak.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		115-120	110.28	682,040
TENDERLOINS		105-110	105.68	182,400
BREAST - WITH RIBS		70-71	82.65	51,880
BREAST - LINE RUN		70	68.30	90,000
LEGS		39-40	39.82	103,480
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		28-29	30.03	252,520
DRUMSTICKS		29-30	37.19	69,680
THIGHS		29-30	39.97	40,200
B/S THIGHS		80-81	85.44	109,840
WINGS (WHOLE)		98-99	105.38	229,160
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		10-12	11.60	17,840
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		30-35	27.05	15,560
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		50-55	51.57	15,960

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,889	80.00-198.00	89-95	103.01
TENDERLOINS	248	92.00-221.00	-	119.23
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QRTRS (BULK)	1,778	23.00-29.00	23	23.60
LEG QRTRS (4/10)	1,828	25.00-33.00	25	25.53
WINGS (WHOLE)	698	88.00-123.00	88-92	91.78
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,211	18.00-36.00	21	20.63

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	10/02	09/28	09/28	09/25	09/21
Alabama	4,047	3,999	5.43	3,933	5.40
Arkansas	5,405	5,248	5.42	5,215	5.37
Delmarva	2,258	2,246	5.75	2,269	5.76
KY-LA-TN	2,334	2,402	5.04	2,361	5.08
Mississippi	2,839	2,878	5.83	2,870	5.90
North Carolina	2,688	2,659	6.85	2,630	6.80
Texas	2,500	2,540	5.38	2,765	5.25
Total	22,071	21,972	5.64	22,043	5.61
Mon	22,071(A)			22,043(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 02-Oct 2006

is estimated to be 33,021,000 down 0.17 percent from a week ago.

and up 2.0 percent from a year ago.

(last week 33,078,000 last year 32,382,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	690	100.00-182.00	-	113.70
TENDERLOINS	213	95.00-171.00	-	101.77
BREAST - LINE RUN	114	72.00-80.00	-	74.95
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	228	30.00-41.00	-	31.09
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	563	20.00-29.00	25-26	24.71
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	689	21.00-32.00	26-27	27.12
WINGS (WHOLE)	290	90.00-102.00	92-95	94.69
WINGS (CUT)	1,050	110.00-120.00	112-114	114.02
DRUMSTICKS	69	30.00-41.00	-	35.04
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS	102	78.00-89.00	-	80.57

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR OCT 02, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
36.00 - 43.00	39.19	39.86

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 02-OCT-TO 06-OCT-2006

Price (Cents) Per Lb. Mostly

BREAST - B/S	93.00 - 126.00	94.00 - 105.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	70.00 - 94.00	70.00 - 76.00
LEGS	34.00 - 53.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	23.00 - 36.00	27.00 - 29.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	28.00 - 39.00	30.00 - 32.00
DRUMSTICKS	29.00 - 36.00	-
THIGHS	24.00 - 41.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	87.00 - 111.00	99.00 - 102.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 25.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 37.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 52.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	82.75-100.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	86.25-103.25

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	91-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-74
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 91-103
	DRY PACK 110-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 100
	DRY PACK 111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 88-102
	DRY PACK 102-109
DUCKS	185-190

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2006				
<u>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</u>		<u>PRICES</u>		<u>VOLUME</u>
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00	16.00-17.00	373,000	52,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.00	16.63		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-20.00	13.00-16.00	1,612,000	852,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.80	14.32		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

*INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2006				
<u>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</u>		<u>PRICES</u>		<u>VOLUME</u>
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.50-21.00	17.00	264,400	-
WTD AVERAGE	16.58	17.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.25-19.50	11.00-16.00	1,398,000	771,200
WTD AVERAGE	17.69	12.68		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

*INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was light to fair and generally unaggressive for the at least adequate to instances ample offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was no better than fair. The undertone was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 02-OCT-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7		4.73
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 02-OCT-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7.5		4.69

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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